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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 17601.35a.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Gerd Seibold, et al. | )  |            |
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| Confirmation No.:    | 8236                                     | )          |
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| For:                 | APPARATUS FOR SEALING SURGICAL PUNCTURES | )          |
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| Examiner:            | Eric D. Blatt                            | )          |
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| Customer No.:        | 57360                                    | )          |

**AMENDMENT "E" AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 27, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.